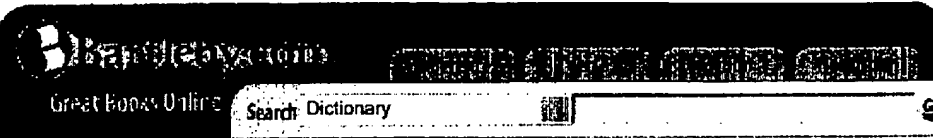




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SYLLABICATION: swiv·el

PRONUNCIATION: swiv'əl

NOUN: 1. A link, pivot, or other fastening so designed that it permits the free turning of attached parts. 2. A pivoted support that allows an attached object, such as a chair or gun, to turn in a horizontal plane. 3. A gun that turns on a pivot.

VERB: Inflected forms: swiv·eled or swiv·elled, swiv·el·ing or swiv·el·ling, swiv·els or swiv·els

TRANSITIVE VERB: 1. To turn or rotate on or as if on a swivel. 2. To secure, fit, or support with a swivel.

INTRANSITIVE VERB: To turn on or as if on a swivel.

ETYMOLOGY: Middle English *swyvel*.

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verb (past swiv-eled, past participle swiv-eled,
present participle swiv-el-ing, 3rd person
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1. transitive and intransitive verb pivot or rotate: to turn freely or horizontally in a circle, or make something turn in this way

2. transitive verb provide something with a pivoting joint: to fit, attach, or support something with a joint that allows complete freedom of movement

noun (plural swiv-els)

1. device allowing parts to turn: a joint or fastening that allows something attached to it to turn freely

2. support allowing something to pivot: a pivoting support that allows something such as a gun, chair, or camera to turn from side to side or up and down, sometimes in a full circle

3. ARMS pivoting gun: a gun that can be turned from side to side horizontally

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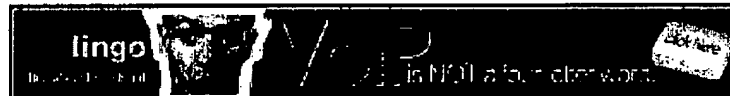
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